

REMARKS

The Office Action of March 13, 2006 has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested.

Species Election

The Office Action states that the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species:

Group 1: Fig. 2;
Group 2: Fig. 4;
Group 3: Fig. 5;
Group 4: Fig. 6;
Group 5: Fig. 7;
Group 6: Fig. 8;
Group 7: Fig. 9; and
Group 8: Fig. 10.

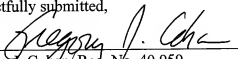
This requirement for an election of species is traversed. Applicant respectfully points out that the species of Figs. 2 and 4-10 would not have separate classifications, would not have separate status in the art, would not require searches in different fields and, therefore, would not be overly burdensome on the Examiner.

As required, applicant hereby provisionally elects Group 7, directed toward Fig. 9. At least claims 1-6, 8, 12, 13, 20-24, 26-28, 34, and 35 are all readable on Fig. 9.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to **Deposit Account No. 19-0733.**

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